

Tips to control mosquito population and reduce exposure:

- Remove all potential sources of stagnant water in which mosquitoes might breed. Mosquitoes can breed in any puddles that last more than four days. Such as water buckets, wading pools, bird baths, wheelbarrows, clogged roof gutters, discarded tires, plastic containers, and boats.
- Any water-holding container should be cleaned or emptied on a weekly basis.
- Drill holes in the bottom of containers that are left out-of-doors, turn over wheelbarrows, aerate ornamental pools and stock them with fish or chlorinate them.
- Stay in doors at dawn and dusk/early evening.
- Wear long sleeved shirts and long pants whenever you are outdoors.
- Spray clothing with repellents containing permethrin or DEET since mosquitoes may bite through thin clothing.
- Apply insect repellent sparingly to exposed skin. An effective repellent will contain 35% DEET. DEET in higher concentrations provides no additional protection.
- Whenever you use an insecticide or insect repellent be sure to read and follow the manufacturer's DIRECTIONS FOR USE, as printed on the product.

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